Alaska Legal Services Board to Meet in Nome

The Board of Directors of Alaska Legal Services Corporation will meet October 25th and 26th in Nome. The Corporation, which is funded by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington D.C., provides free legal services in Alaska to those who cannot afford to hire a private attorney.

The Board of Directors will meet in the City Council chambers upstairs in the Nome City Hall. Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will last until 5:00 p.m. with a break for lunch.

The Board is meeting in Nome to discuss ways and means of providing the most complete legal service possible to Northwest Alaska.

They expect to determine what the local people want and need from Legal Services. This cannot be done unless they are told about:

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the people of the area face.

2. What legal problems need the most attention.

What the people of the area expect Legal Services to do for

4. What Legal Services cannot do.

The Board will be meeting in regular session. Anyone who is interested in the Legal Services' program, for any reason, is urged to come to the meeting.

They may come in any time during the day on Friday, or Saturday morning. The Board of Directors is particularly anxious to hear any problems people may have in getting helpfrom Legal Services.

The people Alaska Legal Services is set up to serve-those who cannot receive a lawyer's help in any other way-are particularly welcome to come to the meetings.

Members of the Legal Services Board know that any new program, which suddenly begins working in an area, will lead to a lot of questions. Many people wonder:

Why the program is there

2. What is it doing?

3. Is it really useful to them or their community?

4. Do we need it?

It is not possible to learn what the people of the Northwest Area want and need unless the people who live there tell those who direct the Alaska Legal Services Corporation program about their ideas.

The directors will be in Nome to talk with all who care to come by the meeting. They have said that they look forward to an open and frank discussion of Legal aid services in the area.

The Board members hope to leave Nome with ideas and suggrstions from the local citizens. In this way, the Board expects to develop the best possible service for the people of the Second Jucicial District and for the State.

The doors of the Council Chamber will be opened at 9:00 a.m. Friday, October 26th, and people are welcome to come in anytime during the day. Coffee will be provided by Alaska Air Lines, and the Nome Mother's Club members will be hostesses.